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SHABBAT KULANU FOR FAMILIES WITH SPECIAL NEEDS

Join us on Saturday, December 13th from 10:30 am to 11:30 am in the Multipurpose room to celebrate Hanukkah in a Shabbat service designed to be accessible, respectful, and to embrace a wide variety of needs and sensitivities, geared towards children with special needs, as well as adults with intellectual disabilities. The service will be short, interactive, musical, and will include a craft activity. A break room will be available as needed, and healthy refreshments will be served. Please register in advance with the Temple office so that you can receive the program (social story) beforehand via email to help prepare your family members. Accommodations available include Braille and large print programs, reserved seating for participants with visual and/or hearing impairments or mobility challenges, and an ASL interpreter. Please contact Regina Levin at r.k.levin@comcast.net if you are in need of any additional accommodations, or if you have any questions.

The service is open and *free* to all including members of the general community. We encourage you to invite your friends.







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FROM THE DESK OF RABBI PETER RIGLER

Spirituality

It's an elusive idea, spirituality. Spirituality is as hard to define as is love or goodness, truth or beauty. For me spirituality is connecting with God, people and community, nature and the world, through experiences of beauty, awe and wonder, meaning and purpose, and acts of transcendence. Granted it doesn't fit well on a bumper sticker. I know many people may not be interested in spirituality. But they are interested in meaningful relationships and community. Does that sound like you? Herein lies the beauty of how many of us understand what it means to be spiritual. Loving and friendly bonds with others is profoundly spiritual. As writer Parker Palmer so eloquently states, it "answers the heart's longing to be connected with the largeness of life."

Our upcoming celebration of Hanukkah is a perfect illustration of the various entry points to spirituality:

Hanukkah's themes of miracle, rededication to God and sacred purposes, and human - Divine cooperation are points of connection.

The beauty and warmth of light, flame, and Hanukkah menorah are other points of connection.

The smells and tastes of latkes and *sufganiyot* (jelly doughnuts) are still others way to connect.



The acts of gift-giving, receiving, and *tzedakah* are still other points of connection.

And parents and children, family and friends coming together in the comfort of home and hearth to celebrate and share in the warmth of their love are still other primary points of connection.

Some people will relate to one or two of the above -mentioned spiritual connections of Hanukkah. Other people may relate to all of those listed. And some people will discover and connect with Hanukkah in ways that haven't been mentioned.

Like love and beauty, truth and goodness, spirituality is something fundamental in which I think we all engage. We may just call it by another name.

May you and your family have a happy Hanukkah and a joyous season filled with light and joy.

~ Rabbi Rigler <u>rabbi@temple-sholom.org</u>

MISHKAN HANEFESH: COME GIVE IT A TRY



WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 3RD AT 7 PM

Read more about this opportunity in Cantor Marx's article on the next page.

Notes from Cantor Jamie Marx....

The High Holy Days are rich with power, spiritual energy, emotion and meaning. The holy days are set aside by our sages for introspection and prayer - tasks that are fraught with vulnerability and challenge at all times. We rely on our *machzor*, our High Holy Day prayer book, to guide us through the difficult themes of sin and repentance, mortality and eternity. The traditional liturgy and the contemporary English translations help us make sense of the holy days and remind us of the work of repentance that we are tasked with.

Our current *machzor*, Gates of Repentance, was first published in 1978 and revised in 1996 to include updated, gender-sensitive language. Since then, our movement has published a new Shabbat prayer book, returning to much of the traditional Hebrew liturgy while also inviting alternative readings for almost every prayer. Including the matriarchs in the *Amidah* is now standard practice and transliteration on every page has made our worship that much more accessible. And while our *siddur* and our Shabbat worship has developed and transformed, our High Holy Day prayer book has stayed the same for decades.

This coming year, the Reform Movement will be publishing a new *machzor*, entitled *Mishkan HaNefesh*, "the dwelling-place of the soul." It offers many of the innovations our *siddur* brought: gender-sensitive language, traditional and alternative liturgy, and consistent transliteration. We're hopeful that it will enrich and invigorate our High Holy Day worship the way *Mishkan Tefilah* did our Shabbat services.

We want to explore the new *machzor* with you, and so Rabbi Rigler and I invite you to join us on Wednesday, December 3 at 7:00 PM for a "test" Rosh Hashanah service. We'll be using a draft version of the new *machzor*, as it hasn't been published yet. If you're interested in being a part of the discussion, please join us on December 3.

We'll also have copies of various services in the Temple office for you to peruse. The copies have to stay at Temple Sholom, but you're welcome to spend a little time looking through them and leave any feedback you have prior to December 3. Rabbi Rigler and I look forward to experiencing the new prayer book with you and to hearing your thoughts and reactions.

~ Cantor Marx





To: Sara Shapiro on the birth of her 10th great grandchild, Lincoln Alexander Wallach

To: Martin & Shirley Birenbaum on the bar mitzvah of their grandson,
Coley Francis Bader

Let's share our happy occasions, milestones and good news with one another.

Please submit your information (anniversary, birth, graduation, new job, etc.) by Tuesday of each week to our Temple office:

director@temple-sholom.org.



We welcome our Newest Members:

~ *The Durlofsky Family* ~ Gregg, Colleen and Matthew

DECEMBER ONEG SPONSORS

December 5

Andrew and Joanna Marcuse in honor of the Bar Mitzvah of their son William

Stephen and Jami Green in honor of their daughter Gabriella Lilly Green's baby naming

December 19

Norma Munin in honor of the Bar Mitzvah of her grandson Zachary

CELEBRATING A SIMCHA? SHARE IT WITH AN ONEG!

Honor your loved ones and the Temple by sponsoring an Oneg and sharing your special day with us. A birthday, anniversary, baby naming, or marriage blessing are all perfect occasions.

Please contact the Temple office at 610-356-5165 or info@temple-sholom.org for details.

DIRECTOR'S CORNER



Friends.

We are interested in growing our Temple Sholom community. You may be interested to know that we are currently 435 family units

strong. From last year to the present we gained 26 new families. Thank you to all who spread the word to friends, family and acquaintances. As we gain members each year, we also lose members for a variety of reasons including family changes, moves and the like. In order to grow we all need to reach out and let everyone know about Temple Sholom!

Although the majority of members join a Temple right before the High Holy Days, it is important to know that many potential members explore and even join our Temple throughout the year. Our potential members are looking for a community that is strong, vibrant, welcoming and diverse. Temple Sholom possesses all of these qualities and then some.

Especially during this Hanukkah season, it is wonderful to know that our community is one of the important lights in the lives of so many. Together we truly shine!

With your good work and encouraging invitations, our communal light will continue to burn brighter and brighter.

~ Warmly, *Abbey Krain* <u>director@temple-sholom.org</u>

ESSENTIALS OF MUSIC THEORY

This three-session class will introduce the basics of reading music and navigating a score. Geared primarily for singers, we will explore many aspects of music notation including rhythm, pitch, clef, dynamics, major and minor scales, and key signatures. No previous musical experience required and open to all members of the congregation.

Contact Cantor Marx for more information.

Tuesdays, December 2, 9, and 16 from 6:30 pm - 7:15 pm

SECURITY TASK FORCE

The Security Task Force is looking for some additional members. Please contact Margaret Husick at mhusick@lawhusick.com if you are interested.

COMMUNITY COORDINATOR

December is a great time to connect and reconnect, to stretch yourself a little, try something different or attend an event with a group you might not have participated with before. It is a great time to try yoga. Sisterhood, Women's



Spirituality, the Hilltoppers and Conversations with Men all have interesting programs scheduled this month. With the seasonal noise and bustle going on all around, it is the perfect time to find some meaning and feed your mind with something different at Temple Sholom:

December 2, 9 and 16 Essential Music Theory for Singers led by Cantor Marx

December 7 and 14 (and continuing in January) Fondant for Kids

December 10 "Gaza: A History and the Way Forward" presented by Lawrence Husick

December 11 Hilltoppers present: Joseph Erdeljac opera expert on *Carmen*

December 13 Shabbat *Kulanu*: Special Needs Family Shabbat on a Saturday morning

December 13 Preschool Pajama Havdalah and movie December 14 Conversations with Men discuss the

Zohar
December 14 Yoga with Rabbi Myriam Klotz
December 14 Les Miserables is at the Media Theater

along with some temple members in the cast December 17 Womens' Spirituality: Rosh Hodesh

December 18 Hilltoppers Book Discussion Group, *The Chaperone*, by Laura Moriarity

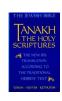
December 19 Sisterhood Hanukkah Dinner – Always a sell-out event - reserve your spot now

December 25 Winter Concert for Preschoolers and their Families

Save the Date:

January 30 6:00 pm Kabbalat Shabbat January 31 Trivia Night

~ B'shalom, Sandy Cohen <u>skcohen@temple-sholom.org</u>



TANAKH STUDY WITH RABBI RIGLER

Wednesday
December 3, 10 & 17
at 10:30 am in the Library

BOARD GREETINGS

Creating Community Family

We often talk about creating community at Temple Sholom – we have community events and discussions, and we describe ourselves as a "warm, vibrant, inclusive community."

But over the last couple of months, as I've participated in this season of B'nai Mitzvahs (my son's and his peers') I've started to think that a better word would be "family" - We are a warm, vibrant, inclusive family. I know, because for me and for my immediate family, the Temple Sholom community has become our extended family of choice.

My immediate family is small, a handful of members spread out in small pockets on four continents. It is a far cry from *mishbachas* which raised my parents or grandparents, or where I grew up. Back in the Disco Era, when my family prepared for my Bat Mitzvah, the invite list was full of great aunts and uncles and second and third cousins. No first cousins – I'm the first child of first children so my first cousins all came along much later - but we always had lots and lots of family.

That large extended family had dispersed by the time I raised my kids. For my son's Bar Mitzvah this September, we had maybe two tables of officially related relatives. But we had a fully packed room, and from my son Ezra's perspective, we have a huge family. It just isn't a huge family of people who are related to him – it is our family of choice, our Temple family.

One of the Bar Mitzvahs I attended this fall handled the subject beautifully. The *aliyah* and honors were for 'Shabbat Moms and Dads,' 'Shabbat Big Sisters,' and 'Shabbat Brothers.' Family members born out of the close connections they have made at Temple Sholom.

Like our families of birth, our Temple family can be annoying, irritating, and challenging. It is after all, family. But I am so grateful that as I look forward towards a world where I have fewer and fewer family of blood, I will continue to have the support, kindness, and community of my family of choice at Temple Sholom.

~ Melissa Shusterman, Member of the Board of Trustees

GAZA: A HISTORY AND THE WAY FORWARD

Special Guest Speaker: Lawrence Husick Wednesday, December 10 7:30 pm

It seems that every couple of years, hostilities erupt between Israel and Gaza, in which many Israelis die, and a much larger number of Gazans perish. After a few weeks, things seem to settle down, and we go back about our business. Understanding the complexities of Gaza, what separates it from the rest of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict, and what the future may hold for this troubled strip of land on the Mediterranean requires an exploration of its turbulent history, the people who live there, and the politics and ideologies of jihad.

Lawrence Husick, Senior Fellow and co-Director of the Foreign Policy Research Institute's Center for the Study of Terrorism will discuss these issues and some of the solutions that have been proposed on all sides of the conflict.



OUR FUNDRAISING ANNUAL APPEAL

is moving to March! 2014 contributions will apply

December is such a busy time for everyone; we determined it best to move our Temple Sholom Annual Appeal to March going forward. More information will be forthcoming on how you can help support the important activities of our congregation.

However, if you prefer to make your Appeal donation in 2014 for tax purposes (all gifts are fully tax deductible), you are welcome to do so. We will recognize your contribution for the year and you will NOT receive an appeal call in March.

Simply make a check out to Temple Sholom in Broomall and include "Annual Appeal" in the memo line.

This appeal has contributed a great deal to our vibrancy and stability over the last several years. We thank everyone for their generosity and giving within their means.

CANTOR M ARX INSTALLATION WEEKEND WRAP-UP

Today is Sunday, November 9th and I am a tired, but happy woman. What can I say about our wonderful installation weekend except that it was fabulous, joyous, spiritual, heart-warming and a great reflection of all that makes Temple Sholom in Broomall so awesome. It was my privilege to be the co-chair of such a milestone event in our Temple community. Thanks to Deb and Alan Kirsch for all their help before they left on their trip.

Friday evening, after we enjoyed a delicious meal for 130 prepared by the kind folks at Shackamaxon, and we celebrated the 60th anniversary of Rita and Morris Shelanski, we were enthralled by the joy and beauty of the Shabbat service in honor of Jamie Marx our "new" Cantor; it was quite a night. Thank you to Jamie's special friends, Rabbi Carla Fenves, Cantor David Frommer and Monika Flurer, who joined us on the *bimah* in our celebration. As I mentioned to some, we didn't need to heat our sanctuary because there was so much warmth coming from the *bimah* that it radiated throughout the room. What a wonderful evening!!

Our pre-concert reception was, once again, a coming together of our Temple community and friends from all over. How good it is to share such a happy time.

More than 270 people heard Danny Maseng and Tali Tadmor in a magnificent concert. What joy, what enthusiasm, and what a performance. When our Jamie, and Cantors Jordan Franzel and Sandy Bernstein joined with Danny and Tali, it was a moment supreme. We in the audience were invited to sing along and we certainly did. Our *Mah Tovu* surely reached the heavens - Temple Sholom is a singing congregation and we lived up to that reputation.

On Sunday, *Rimon* welcomed Cantor Jamie with an ice cream social. The *Gesherim* program put together all submitted puzzle pieces showing the *tikkun olam* projects that our families participated in to honor Cantor Marx. The entire school and their families presented Cantor Jamie with a beautiful *tallis* with its own special touch: *rimonim* (pomegranates). A great time was had by all and what a way to end our special weekend.

My wonderful hard working committee deserves special recognition - no person can be singular in making such a weekend successful. So, a big *yasher koach* to Elyse Endy, kitchen chair; Mary Ann Gould, reservation chair, and their wonderful helpers. Other committee members include Cindy Meyer and Jim Meyer, photographer, Sandy Barth, Sandy Barth, Evalyn Elias, Melissa Fein, Robert Fein, Steven Granoff, Barbara Smilk, Louise Schmidt and Art Zabell. And many thanks to everyone who helped this weekend. Special thanks to Abbey, who is always there for me.

The food we did not use and our canned good centerpieces have been donated to a local food bank in honor of the installation of Cantor Jamie Marx.

Comments from those in attendance throughout the weekend were nothing short of spectacular. Thank you to all who participated in the honoring of our wonderful Cantor and his family.

I know this is the continuation of many special occasions at Temple Sholom, and it is my hope that we go from joy to joy and strength to strength together.

~ Beverly Granoff











SISTERHOOD: WHAT A MONTH!

Mark your calendars for these exciting upcoming Sisterhood Events:

December 13 + other dates

Holiday Gift Wrapping, King of Prussia Mall

December 19

Hanukkah Dinner (See page 21 for details) [So exciting and always a sold-out event!]

January 14

Sugar Blues Workshop with Cindy Harrington

February 28

Movie Night

March 14

Special Olympics Social Action Event

March 15

Crafty Social Action Project

April 17

Sisterhood Shabbat

May 13

Closing Dinner/Event

June 7

Rummage Sale

Next Sisterhood Board Meeting:

December 4 at 7:30 pm in the library

Next Sisterhood Book Club:

January 15 A Town of Empty Rooms

Holiday Gift Wrapping at King of Prussia Mall is what Sisterhood is talking about!

Our Temple Sholom Sisterhood has an opportunity to gift wrap for the holidays at King of Prussia Mall, which turns into a really good fundraiser for our organization, as well as a nice service for harried customers.

You don't actually need to be a Sisterhood member (sign up with a friend!), and men are also welcome, if they enjoy gift wrapping.

There is a nice gift wrap stand set up with wrapping paper, boxes, ribbons, gift tags, scissors, etc., and a well organized set of instructions for the wrappers. All wrapping is done by area non-profit organizational members. A number of us have been doing this for years, and it's really such a fun time.

The wrapping stand can accommodate 10 wrappers per hour at a time. Wrappers should volunteer for a total of 4 or 6 hours, which can be done in increments of at least 2 hours at a time

We can't emphasize enough to you how much fun this is! Honestly, we're really looking forward to returning this year. Please sign up and join us!

Please make a decision quickly. Available slots are filling up quickly.

The dates begin on Sunday, December 14 up through the holidays.

Please contact us with questions, comments or anything else at sisterhood@temple-sholom.org.

~ Your devoted Sisterhood co-Presidents, Frances Epstein and Donna Hendel

THE GREAT BAKED ALASKA SUKKAH TAKE-DOWN EVENT WAS AN OVERWHELMING SUCCESS!

The afternoon began with a number of volunteers working so hard in chilly weather to take down the sukkah from the Temple's front parking lot. Then, it was inside for an Ice Cream Social for people of all ages. Yum!

Moving to the Sanctuary, Howard Cylinder, with the help of his excellent assistant - his wife Beverly - enthralled the audience with his narrative and with pictures of their Alaska adventure, part of which involved Howard alone traveling across the country on his motorcycle and part shared with Beverly.



Beverly and Howard Cylinder

Anna Marx Wows the Sisterhood at our Welcome Dinner



In October, we welcomed back Sisterhood members with a delicious dinner preceded by a stirring talk by our own Anna Marx. We enjoyed what she had to say so much, that we wanted to share her words with the entire congregation.

Thanks, Anna - you are so inspiring. We look forward to learning more from you over the years!

Growing up the child of a Jew-by-Choice, everything about Judaism was a choice for us. For my mother, Judaism was a gift. She felt very proud to count herself among the Jewish people. She felt blessed to have the opportunity to do Jewish things. And she felt great joy in being able to give me Jewish experiences. To this day, she calls Jewish overnight camp, "the best investment I ever made."

In our home, I don't ever remember hearing the words "have to" when it came to Judaism. I only remember hearing "get to." We get to light Shabbat candles. We get to go to synagogue. We get to remove the bread from our cabinets. We get to skip school, work and all the regular chaos of the week and spend a long day in Yom Kippur services. And, "You get to go to Sunday school."

Truth be told, I didn't know until I was a teenager that my experience was any different than anyone else's. By the time I saw all the other kids at the synagogue, we were removed from the parents and we all had a good time. We laughed and played together. We told jokes and whispered secrets. I always felt best at synagogue and Jewish places. I always felt like I could just be me. I felt happy and relaxed and at home. I didn't know that other kids were told they had to come, that they had to have a bat mitzvah, or that they had to come to a long service on Yom Kippur.

Today, I am a professional in the Jewish community. As many of us know in this field, Jewish population studies play an important role in the organized community. Following a national or a local study, there will often be a flurry of activity – meetings and committees, lots of decisions made about money and areas of focus, new programs, new grants, and new goals. These studies look at the kinds of experiences adults have had in the past and the kinds of Jewish behaviors they do today, like lighting Shabbat candles and attending services. They then link for us what kinds of experiences in childhood are most likely to produce Jewishly-engaged adults decades down the road. And they have bad news for us. They say we're a shrinking group with less and less engagement.

I see a fundamental problem in this concentration. We don't have control over who people will become. In a day and age when people have ultimate choice and are exposed to every option available, we cannot say what the magic formula is to create the adults we want to have tomorrow. And besides that, who are we to say who these adults should become? Any decent parent will tell you that their children are who they are and there's very little they can do make them anyone else. All of us can point to families where siblings, from the same home and same parents, are vastly different adults.

We can't control for all these variables. We can't "make" our kids become anything. And why should we want to? We're addressing the wrong goals. These behaviors that we pay close attention to – lighting Shabbat candles, attending services, keeping kosher, etcetera, etcetera – they are not the ends; they are the means.

We need to start asking a much more important question, one that should change the framework of what we're doing, why we're doing it, and how we interact with one another. Let's start asking this question: How are we making a difference in people's lives right now? Not 25 years from now, not next year, right now. Right. Now.

When a child walks in the door of her synagogue, I want to know how we are working to make her feel safe and secure. I want to know when a teenager comes into the synagogue how we will make sure he has friends there. I want to know how all of our kids will feel like they can and should ask big tough questions in the halls of our congregations. Not the simple straightforward questions, but the big ones about bullying, sex, violence, pain, joy, and God. And even more importantly, I want to know what we are doing to make sure that when those kids walk back outside those doors of our synagogues, they feel more equipped to face the world head on.

I feel very lucky as a Jewish mother that I have the tools at my disposal to help my children face the world head on. All these teachings that may seem so ancient at first glance, they can help us understand and face the most seemingly modern of problems. The cyber bullying. The Wall Street injustices. The body image issues. The wars and crimes. All of it.

We have a gift. We are the carriers of an ancient tradition that offers the tools to live resilient and joyful lives, right now. We get to do Jewish. We get to. Lucky us.

~ Anna Marx, October 2014

THE HILLTOPPERS

Board Meetings in the Temple Library

December 4th at 10:30 am in the Temple library. Our meetings are open to all Hilltoppers members. Join us. You'll find it interesting.

General Meetings in the Multipurpose Room

Please note that this meeting is on December 11th, the second Thursday of the month.

In keeping with the spirit of the holiday season, we will present the beautiful and stirring music of the opera, *Carmen*. Our teacher will be opera expert, Joseph E. Erdeljac.

At our session we will have a short introduction to the composer and the opera and then we will listen to highlights of the famous tunes. We will be provided with the printed text, with the English translation alongside the original French. Questions and discussion during and following the presentation will be welcome.

Mr. Erdeljac has acted and sung in over eighty productions and has directed stage productions for over thirty years. He has been associated with Opera Delaware, Neumann University, West Chester University and Singing City Choir of Philadelphia. He has worked with over a dozen community theaters and has lectured on Opera, Broadway Musicals, Operetta, Composers, Periods of Music, Symphonic Masterpieces, and Piano Classics.

The evening will conclude with refreshments and time to socialize. There is no charge to members of Hilltoppers. A \$3.00 donation is suggested for non-members.

Book Discussion Group in the Annex

On Thursday, December 11th (note: the second Thursday) at 1:15 pm in the Temple Annex, we will discuss, *The Chaperone*, by Laura Moriarty. The facilitator will be Shelly Agris.

Donations

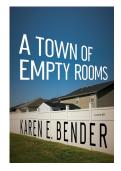
Please direct your donations to the Hilltoppers Fund by making checks payable to: "Hilltoppers of Temple Sholom" and mailing them to the Temple. Your donations will be listed in *The Temple Tidings*.

SISTERHOOD BOOK CLUB

Sisterhood's next book will be *A Town of Empty Rooms*, by Karen E. Bender, 352 pages.

The Book Club meeting will be at 7:30 pm on January 15 at the home of Donna Hendel, 314 Harvard Avenue, Broomall

Book Synapsis: Lately, Serena and Dan Shine are just going through the motions. Their marriage has been suffering since Serena's father and Dan's brother both died. Adding to the struggle is their recent exile from New York City to a small town in North Carolina after Serena was caught stealing from



her company. In an effort to gain some sense of belonging, Serena becomes involved with the local synagogue, which is led by a charismatic rabbi whose strange behavior both fascinates and concerns her. Bender has created complex characters in a novel that provocatively considers our basic need to connect with other people, and how very fragile those connections can be.

RSVP to Lisa Warner at <u>alissamgm@aol.com</u> by January 8.



Temple Sholom in **Broomall** Preschool



Thursday, December 4, 9am-3pm At Temple Sholom in <u>Broomall</u>

Reuma Baron Presents:

Unique jewelry by Israeli artists

Preschool receives a percentage of all sales made this day

SISTERHOOD PHOTO GALLERY



After a delicious dinner catered by Nana's Kitchen, Co-President Fran Epstein, Featured Speaker Anna Marx, Event Chair Evalyn Elias and Co-President Donna Hendel are all smiles. An astounding 60 women attended our Opening Event!



Rosanne Perry, Sherrie Kremens, Eileen Buckwalter and Bev Cylinder are probably busy planning Sisterhood's February 28th movie night.



At a WRJ Retreat at Camp Harlam last year, Evalyn Elias and Fran Epstein created quilt squares. The finished quilt was presented at the recent WRJ Convention.



Sisterhood / Temple Sholom Team on the Alzheimer's Walk in November.



Jodi Gold, Gina Levin, Bev Granoff, Emily Mendell and Laurie Browngoehl finish their appetizers and get ready to move to the presentation.



Temple President, Emily Mendell and Sisterhood co-President, Donna Hendel proudly display impressive amount of toiletries Sisterhood purchased for the Family Management Center Sukkot Dinner



Jackie Matusow, Barbara Barr, Becky Krangel, and Rabbi Stacy Rigler are delighted to be attending Sisterhood's Welcome Dinner.



At the recent Women of Reform Judaism Atlantic Regional Convention, held in King of Prussia, Co-Presidents Frances Epstein and Donna Hendel share a moment with keynote speaker Rabbi Sue Levi Elwell.

DECEMBER B'NAI MITZVAH



William Morris Marcuse, son of Joanna Lynne Marcuse and Andrew George Marcuse, will be called to the Torah on December 6. His siblings, Monica, Noah and Quinn, along with grandparents Peter and Frances Marcuse from Connecticut and Alvin and Michele Morrison from New York will share in this special day. Family and friends will be traveling from: Long Island, New York City, New Jersey, Pittsburgh, Minnesota, California and

Maryland.

William is a 7th grade student at Haverford Middle School. He enjoys art, music, science, nature, soccer, magic, and unicycling.

William loves magic and entertaining people. So, he has decided to perform both magic tricks and unicycling at Martins Run. Martins Run is an adult living community in Media, Pennsylvania. His performance took place on the afternoon of November 24, since he had an early dismissal from school on that day. William approached his Mitzvah Project with enthusiasm, as he is enjoys making people smile.

We are all so proud of William and are happy to know there are many family and friends who are both local and traveling to share his big day with him. He is a joy to all and his talents are abundant.



Rimon Café



Todah rabah (Thank you) to all the volunteers who have helped get the Rimon Café off to a great start! A very big TODAH RABAH to Joanna Gould and ToaSTY for volunteering to set up and clean up the Rimon Café for the entire Rimon School year!

Do you or your kids enjoy the coffee, bagels and home baked goodies at the café? The café depends upon the awesome volunteers like you. We need café volunteers like you in December and January. Please consider volunteering to staff the café table or bring in coffee, bagels, baked goods (store bought or homemade), boxed juice, snacks, etc. Sign up is simple, just sign up via your invitation from SignUpGenius.com. If you have any questions feel free to call or email Rebecca Parmet at 610-322-4356 or drparmet@gmail.com.

Remember, many hands equals light work. Thank you for volunteering!

~ Rebecca Parmet, Rimon Café Coordinator

Zachary Munin, son of Rob and Karen Munin, will be called to the Torah on December 20. Zach's big brother and sister, Matt and Barbara will be with him for his big day, as well as his Nanny Norma, the best grandmother ever. Aunts, uncles and cousins from Dallas and Pittsburgh and as close as West Chester will also be with him.



Zach is a 7th grader at Springton Lake Middle School, where he plays the tuba and valve trombone in the Springton Lake Middle School band as well as the Jazz band. He loves to play baseball, fish with his Dad, ride his bike, and walk around Media with his friends. Last summer, Zach was honored with a one day externship at Boeing for winning first prize in their STEM writing contest.

For his Mitzvah project Zach participated in Temple Sholom's Mitzvah Meals Program at the Delaware County Life Center. On three occasions over the past six months, Zach cooked and served meals to those in need. He felt that caring for the hungry and those who don't have the money to get food is an important cause and an area where he could make a difference. Along with his mother, Zach experienced firsthand the warmth and gratefulness of a community when he helped them with these meals. In fact, Zach was particularly struck when he saw children at the Life Center because he couldn't imagine people his age or younger trying to focus on school or other activities when they were hungry. Zach looks forward to being a regular participant with Temple Sholom's Mitzvah Meals program.

BIMAH BASKETS



Festive baskets to decorate the
Bimah and benefit Temple
Sholom's Religious School and
the Life Center for Eastern
Delaware County.

Two Bimah baskets are \$150 (\$75 each)
and a smaller Oneg Basket is available
for the Oneg Table for \$45.
Interested in ordering the baskets?
Please contact Sandy Barth at
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THE ETTA NATALIE ROSENBLATT PRESCHOOL

O Hanukkah, O Hanukkah!



In the Jewish calendar,
December basically is the month of
Kislev and
Kislev means
Hanukkah. At the Temple
Sholom
Preschool we

do Hanukkah big for the whole month of Kislev. First we started with all the art projects. Our school turned into a beautiful Hanukkah landscape. Then we enjoyed Hanukkah songs with their messages of "light, joy and courage." Next were the latkes, *sufganiyot* and smiles of happiness and satisfaction. Like the miracle of Hanukkah, the Hanukkah spirit in the Preschool just keeps glowing.

It all culminated in special lightings of our Hanukkiah and a fabulous Hanukkah Festival Program. Dreidels and gelt, Maccabees and menorahs, singing and smiles, it's all here and more.

When we come back next year, we will begin to work on our next holiday, Tu B'Shevat, the wonderful Jewish holiday of trees. We will be learning about all the good things trees do for the environment and us as well as about trees in Israel and how Jews around the world celebrate our Jewish Arbor Day.

Please join us on December 13th for our first Havdalah Pajama and Movie Night of the year. Parents can come and enjoy the Café in the lobby where they can eat, chat and relax during the movie.

Of course, there's lots more at going on at the Preschool. We are always learning, growing and sharing. We are a community of friends, little people who do big things together!

Looking ahead, we wish everyone a healthy and happy 2015.

~ Miss Liz, Preschool Director preschool@temple-sholom.org





Good FRIENDS!

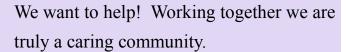




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Please let us know if you are aware of someone:

- **★** Entering the hospital
- ★ With a new baby
- * Death in the family
- * Shut-in
- * Other



PLEASE CALL THE TEMPLE OFFICE AT 610-356-5165



MITZVAH MEALS LOOKING FOR ADDITIONAL VOLUNTEERS

One of the central ideas of Judaism is social justice, which includes helping those less fortunate than ourselves. Those of us who have been able to participate in feeding hungry and homeless people at the Life Center of Eastern Delaware County know what a double mitzvah this experience can be - helping others, but also experiencing the blessing of this wonderful experience.

On the second Tuesday of every even-numbered month, it is Temple Sholom's turn to prepare and serve a meal to the 100-200 people who line up for food every night of the year. Our next Mitzvah Meal is Tuesday, December 9 and will be coordinated by Adam Weinstein. Please sign up for this meal by going to this link: http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c044da5ac22aaf85-life1 or by emailing Adam at ab weinstein@yahoo.com or calling him at 610-446-1113. If you can't be at the shelter to help serve, no problem - we need people to purchase food and supplies, as well as prepare casseroles (recipe provided) or salad ahead of time.

Thank you in advance for your support of this important program.

Discussion Group

The next discussion will be at the home of Deane Lappin and Dick Peters on December 21st at noon. 216 Pheasant Run, Paoli 610-889-9318

The topic will be:

Living as a Jew in a Christian culture. How do we handle Christmas? How should we handle Christmas? And the never ending dilemma of: Christmasukkah and Hanukkahmas.

Pot Luck lunch as usual.

Contact Bob at <u>bobnmarians@aol.com</u> to be on the mailing list for discussion material and regular updates.

RIMON PARENTS SOCIAL ACTION COMMITTEE - CALLING ALL BAKERS

On Sunday October 26, *Rimon* held the first Parents Social Action Committee event, headed up by cochairs Rebecca Parmet and Tara Zlotkin.

Our mission was to deliver a plethora of homemade baked goods to the Life Center of Eastern Delaware County, an emergency shelter located at 63rd and Market. The shelter houses up to 50 people at any given time and provides meals for these individuals, as well an evening meal open to the public. The Life Center relies on donations from over 40 churches, synagogues and temples to provide the over 200 meals per night.

Thank you to all the bakers and those who also helped package up the trays of goodies: Liz Berger, Amy Cylinder, Vicky Dougherty, Shannon Farmer, Lauren Frantz, Michael Galvin, Eve Galvin, Baila Galvin, Tamar Galvin, Debbie Gordon, Beth Handwerger, Leah Isayev, Jennifer Morgan, Joe Pessin, Macie Plotkin, Mary Rourke, Sue Shandler, Samantha Smith, Beth Verman, Mike Watson, Erika Watson.

We have two additional events planned: Sunday January 11 and another in the Spring of 2015.

If you are interested in helping out for the next event (driving, cooking, packing, etc.) please contact the coordinators Tara Zlotkin at <u>Zlotkin1@gmail.com</u> or Rebecca Parmet at <u>drparmet@gmail.com</u>.







Around Rimon

Kindle the Light! BE the Light!

Who isn't filled with smiles and anticipation thinking about the upcoming holiday of Hanukkah? In a few short weeks we will gather with family and friends to sing songs, enjoy latkes and *sufganiyot*, spin the dreidel and the light our *hanukkiyah*. As we celebrate we remember the story of the Maccabees and the miracles that brought this celebration to the Jewish people.

Hanukkah, the Festival of Light, brings light and warmth to our homes during the dark, cold days of winter. The miracle of light speaks to all of us. It asks us to bring the light to the dark places in ourselves and in others and in our world. Let us all be a part of the Festival of Light sharing the light in relevant and thoughtful ways ... and be part of enabling miracles for others.

As you celebrate Hanukkah this year I urge you to think about ways that you can BE the light to chase away the darkness in someone else's life. Here are a few suggestions:

- ➤ Donate a coat, clothes or a hat to chase away the cold from someone who has no warmth
- ➤ Donate food to chase away another's hunger
- ➤ Give a smile to someone who appears sad
- Donate a new toy to put a smile on a child's face

~ Lori Green, Education Director educator@temple-sholom.org

Important Dates in December...

Monday, December 1 NO HEBREW NO ACADEMY

Tuesday, December 2 NO HEBREW

Sunday, December 7

Gesherim Kids Only! (watch your email)
Playgroup (3 and under) during Rimon

Sunday, December 14
Seeds of *Rimon* (learning for parents!)

Sunday, December 21 - Sunday, January 4 NO *RIMON* - Winter Break

Rimon Awards Ceremony Celebrating Influential Jews from Biblical Times until Today!

What an exciting day it was when our Sunday *Rimon* students presented their projects, walked the red-carpet and celebrated their first unit of study in celebration and style!



















Hi Everyone! We hope you have enjoyed the fall, soon to be winter weather! ToaSTY has been up to some great stuff this year. First, we

started our "Warm and ToaSTY' campaign, in which our members have been making baked goods to sell at our Academy Pizza Nights. We have also partnered with *Rimon* parents to help set up and clean up our Café. It has been a great success and we are happy to help in any way, so please, make sure you come by and support the Café!

We wanted to again thank everyone for helping support the Philabundance/Temple Sholom food drive during Yom Kippur. We are still waiting for the final numbers, but I have a feeling that we beat last year's total!

As far as our events have gone this year, they have been so much fun! Our first event was the annual picnic, in which we all got back together and bonded, cooked dinner and enjoyed a great night out. For our second event, we went to Linvilla Orchards and had fun in the corn maze, went on a group hayride at night and had fun just hanging out and enjoying the fall weather. It was a beautiful night and everyone enjoyed themselves. Our third event found us at Martin's Run to spend time with the residents and perform a few musical numbers and holiday songs.

ToaSTY also had six teens go to NFTY-PAR Fall Kallah, and all had a great time! NFTY-PAR is a great way to get involved in our region, so be on the lookout for further events! Also be on the lookout for fundraising opportunities, including new t-shirts for our teens! Come out and support ToaSTY!

B'Shalom,

~ Joanna Gould, ToaSTY Youth Group Director toasty@temple-sholom.org







Holiday Gift Wrapping Fundraiser

Sunday, December 14th through the Holidays

So please check your calendars and email sisterhood@temple-sholom.orq with your schedule choices.

Donate your time, do a good deed, and have fun!

It's fun, it's easy, it's simple.
And you raise money for
Temple Sholom!



Sign up NOW to wrap gifts in the King of Prussia Mall

> No experience necessary! No one works alone. And it's loads of fun!

Women's Spirituality

On Wednesday, December 17th all Temple Sholom women We will begin the Rosh Hodesh evening in are welcome to join us in the Temple library at 7:30 pm for a Rosh Hodesh Evening. Rosh Hodesh has long been considered a special holiday for women. It has also been a sacred time for women. In the 1970s, Jewish women around the world began to reclaim Rosh Hodesh. It is associated with women's renewal and celebration. Rosh Hodesh is a time for Jewish women to gather for learning, ritual, and spiritual exploration, and to mark life passages.

Jews take time very seriously. Our Torah begins with the words "In the beginning." Paying attention to time is at the heart of Jewish living; sanctifying time is how we make each moment holy. The Jewish calendar encourages us to create meaning by counting time. As we count our days, weeks, and months, we are reminded that in every moment we have the potential to recreate ourselves and the world around us. We are reminded that creation is a continual process. Creation is happening all around us.

This is a cold and dark time of year. Nature rests, and winter is upon us. As we come together to celebrate Rosh Hodesh on December 17th in the month of Kislev, let this be a time of caring and connecting.

the Temple Sanctuary at 6:25 pm with quiet reflection when one of our members will lead us in mindfulness meditation. At the conclusion of meditation, we will move to the library to begin our Rosh Hodesh program.

Planning ahead: on January 28th we will be discussing *Hope* Will Find You, by Naomi Levy. Hope Will Find You is another gem by this wonderful author. Rabbi Levy was in the first class of women rabbinical students admitted to the Jewish Theological Seminary. But when her young daughter becomes seriously ill, she loses faith in God and struggles to find wisdom to continue living her life. As a rabbi she was used to giving spiritual advice to people seeking answers to life's difficult questions. Rabbi Levy writes of her journey and how she searches for hope throughout her family crisis. This book is honest and full of insights about not giving up when life challenged her faith.

Please mark your calendars to join us on December 17th at 6:25 pm in the Sanctuary and in the library at 7:30 pm for a very special Rosh Hodesh Evening.





ATTIC SALE!

June 7, 2015

We need storage space Please let us know is you can donate a garage or storage area.

> Contact Melissa Fein at mfein10@gmail.com or 215-837-1393



COME MEDITATE WITH US!

Wednesdays Jewish Meditation

Wednesday mornings in the Temple Annex - a time to come together - sit quietly - close your eyes - listen to the sounds around you. Enjoy the sensation of stopping ... an ordinary pleasure you're often too busy to enjoy. This can become a wonderful way to start your day by giving yourself the gift of time and spiritual connection. The secret to spirituality is that there's no right way, no special feeling you're supposed to have.

Come in out of the cold and join our warm and welcoming circle. Take time - slow down. Meditation can be a time of reflection on a Jewish prayer, a Torah portion or concentrating on a Hebrew word or letter. You might be surprised what meditation can bring to your busy life. It can bring inner joy and peace. Share with us as we learn what meditation has to offer. There is a seat waiting for you in our circle of chairs as we spend a quiet time together.

Meditation Dates to Remember for this Month

December 3, 10 and 17 Wednesdays 9:25 - 10:15 am Temple Sholom Annex

Come once, or once in a while or every time we meet. Please check the Friday announcements for any Everyone is welcome. No previous meditation experience is necessary.



Join us in the *Rabbi's study* at 9:30 am on December 14, as we continue another great year of Conversations with Men. Our topic for this discussion will be:

> The Zohar: The Book of Divine Radiance Exploring the Torah through the Lens of the Zohar

Please pass this along to other guys who might be interested The more the merrier

See you on Sunday! Questions? Contact Daniel Endy at 610-662-2691 or by email: daniel.endy@gmail.com.

Monthly Pre-Shabbat Meditation in the Temple Annex

December 26 - 7:00 - 7:45 pm before the Friday night Shabbat Service

The glow of the Hanukkah lights are gone. Nature rests, and the winter season is here . . .

Shabbat is an ideal time to bask in the warmth and stillness of meditation. What does Shabbat mean to you? It can be a time for spirituality and community that is unmatched by any other day. Meditation can help get the most out of prayer. Pre-Shabbat meditation can enhance and deepen the prayer experience during the Friday night service.

Take some time to make meditation a part of your Shabbat practice. Whether you are familiar or new to meditation, we invite you to join us to for our pre-Shabbat meditation. We welcome everyone to share in the practice of Jewish meditation as we meet in the Temple Annex on the fourth Friday of every month.

We look forward to sharing this time with you as we "warm up" for prayer on December 26 from 7:00 -7:45 pm before the Friday night Shabbat service.

changes that might occur.

Questions? Please contact the Temple Office or call Linda Tarash at 610-446-2101 or linda.tarash@gmail.com.



JNF TREES AND WATER FOR ISRAEL



A quick and easy way to honor and/or remember a friend, relative or event is to have one or more trees planted in Israel. Or a donation may be made

to help meet Israel's water needs. In either case a lovely certificate is sent to the honoree and/or family. For details, pricing options (donations start at \$18) and to make arrangements through the Jewish National Fund, please call Shirley Birenbaum at 610-328-2171, or email surabassa@aol.com.

A tree was planted by Carol Rubin in memory of Arlene Goldberg, beloved wife, mother and grandmother of Dr. Murray Goldberg and Family

- A tree was planted by Ken Weiss and Sharon Zellis in memory of Jeanette Graboyes, beloved mother, mother-in-law, and grandmother of Michael and Gayle Lewis and Family
- A tree was planted by Shirley and Marty Birenbaum in memory of Norman Nathans, beloved husband, father, grandfather and great grandfather of Mrs. Leanore Nathans and family
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Did you know that Sisterhood can handle all of your "Hallmark" needs? For \$300, you can send a Happiness/Memorial Card for any occasion, including Mazel Tov on the Bar Mitzvah of birthdays, get well, sympathy, etc.

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Daniel and Elyse Endy To: From: The Sisterhood Board Mazel Tov on the marriage of your son, Gregory to Ashley Wise



To send Happiness & Memorial Cards contact Shirley Birenbaum at 610-328-2171 or email surabassa@aol.com.





BRINGING THE MIDDOT TO LIFE

(Back by popular demand!)

Yoga with Rabbi Myriam Klotz, E-RYT. Myriam is Director of Yoga and Embodied Practices at the Institute for Jewish Spirituality and co-founder of the Yoga and Jewish Spirituality Teacher Training at Isabella Freedman Jewish Retreat Center.

Please join us for this unique opportunity combining the Middot, Mind and Body.

Sundays, 7:30-8:30 pm in the Multipurpose room

December 14 January 25 February 8 March 22 Dress comfortably. Please bring your own yoga mat and water bottle.

\$10 per week, \$30 for all 5 sessions in the series

Walk-ins are welcome but reservations are appreciated and allow for planning. To reserve your space contact Sandy Cohen skcohen@temple-sholom.org 610-356-5165



Institute for Jewish Spirituality

KNIT WITS ON-GOING SOCIAL ACTION PROJECT

Today I had a social action day. I went to Martin's Run and dropped off the wool to the Knit Wits. I got three bags of blankets from them for the homeless and Hospice for Christmas time.

Then I went to St. Mark's to drop off the toiletries and call me and I pick it up. I was there as a truck was loading food and toiletries Couldn't be easier! to bring down to the shelter.

Perhaps you do not realize how significant each ball of wool and each hotel toiletry item means to another person.

Please continue to give to these worthwhile causes. It's easy. You simply drop off whatever you have at the Temple office. They call me and I pick it up. Couldn't be easier!

~ Amy Berkowitz





the weekend!

SAVE THE DATE! SCHOLAR-INRESIDENCE

The Scholar - in - Residence Committee is pleased to announce the 2015 program, to be held over the weekend of March 27 - 29. Rabbi Ken

Kanter, Associate Dean and

Director of the Rabbinical School at HUC-Cincinnati, will be our scholar for the weekend. He will be talking about the contribution of Jews to American popular music. We are very excited about this topic, and have heard wonderful things about his engaging and lively style. Details to follow, but please reserve

SHAPE UP, SHOLOM!

Back by popular demand.

Shape up at Sholom

with Terri Watson and Friends.

Sundays at 9:45 am

when *Rimon* is in session and weather permitting.

Cost: \$5⁰⁰ donation to *Rimon*.

Meet in Temple lobby.

Come join us for a great workout and meet some new fun people!!! All fitness levels welcome!

HOLIDAY FAIR A ROUSING SUCCESS!

I want to take this opportunity to thank everyone that helped in making this year's Holiday Gift Fair a success. The Temple Staff was extremely generous in allowing us to take over the building. Rabbi, Cantor, Lori, Abbey, Sandy, Becky (how many phone calls!!!) and of course Bob and Sal

The Sisterhood members that gave up days to set up, bake, cook, serve, sell raffles, spin the prize wheel and shop! A shout out to Barbara Barr, Evalyn Elias, Fran Epstein, Beverly Granoff, Donna Hendel, Linda Hershman, Julie Leavitt, Joanne Nathans, Linda Phillips, Harriett Rosenblatt, Anilee Seitchick, Marion Slater, Elaine Smith, and our catering marvels Lori Rowling and Lauri Holiday Gift Fair for 52 vendors certainly did! This was the set



Holiday Fair Set Up: They say it takes a village. Setting up the up crew, from left: Lori Rowling, Harriet Rosenblatt, Marian Slater, Donna Hendel, Sal, Melissa Fein, Frances Epstein, and Gift Garden Manager Linda Phillips



Holiday Fair kitchen mavens: Lori Rowling and Lauri Sila.

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Big Thanks to all our Vendors for their support and donations.

A special thank you to our honorary Sisterhood members Steve Hendel for the major help setting up Saturday and my husband Robert for being by my side throughout!

Next year, bigger and better.

~ Melissa Fein, Holiday Fair Chair

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Saturday. January 31, 2015 at 7:30 PM

Come test your Knowledge against other friends as Temple Sholom hosts a Trivia Night with MC, Rabbi Peter Rigler to benefit our Religious School.

You will have the chance to win silent auction prizes and raffles!!!

Desserts along with wine, beer and non-alcoholic beverages will be provided. Please bring something sweet to share for our dessert table if you would like.

If you are business owner and would like to donate a raffle prize or if you have any general questions, please contact Terri Watson, by emailing Terri.Watson@verizon.net or calling 484-716-2870.

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Names of people attending:		
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It's a Piece of Cake with Hila Shiff

at Temple Sholom







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Please complete the bottom portion of this flyer and return to the Rimon School Office along with your payment of \$125 for all four classes (price includes <u>all</u> materials and supplies).

Classes will take place on Sundays - December 7, December 14, January 11 and January 25.

Child's name and age				Parent's name		
	e	mail address	_	<u></u>	pho	ne number
	Session I:	12:00 p.m 1:00 p.m.	or		Session II:	1:00 p.m 2:00 p.m.

Temple Sholom in Broomall Preschool

Pajama Havdalah & Movie Night



Saturday, December 13, 2014 at 5:00 PM in the Multipurpose Room \$10 per family

Join us in your PJs & bring your favorite stuffed animal

Havdalah, Movie & Pizza Dinner for kids Please RSVP by December 6

Parent café in the lobby

Temple Sholom in Broomall 55 North Church Lane Broomall, PA 19008 Contact Preschool Office 610-886-2065



Temple Sholom in Broomall

"Do you Hear the People Sing?" A new Fundraising opportunity may be "At the End of the Day...."



at the Media Theatre

Sunday, December 14th at 3:00 pm - Temple Sholom's OWN Jolie Jaffe to play Young Cosette

Media Theatre is donating a percentage of our ticket sales to Temple Sholom. Children's tickets are \$25 each. Adult tickets are \$38 each.

Tickets will be sold on a first come, first serve basis by sending an email to Aimee Rubin at phillymommy@gmail.com. Along with your request, please let her know how many children and adult tickets are needed. Cash and checks made payable to "Temple Sholom in Broomall" will be accepted and can be left at the front office to Aimee Rubin's attention. In turn, she will leave the theater tickets for you at Temple Sholom's office.

Please contact Aimee Rubin at phillymommy@gmail.com with questions.



Temple Sholom Preschool

WINTER CONCERT

Featuring Andi Joseph



Join us at Temple Sholom

December 25th

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Contact Preschool Office (610)886-2065



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HELP US RECYCLE:



- ⇒ Old laser and ink jet cartridges
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- ⇒ Small electronics like:
 - ⇒ Digital cameras
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Contributions to this fund will be used at the discretion of our Cantor.

Excellence in Early Childhood Education Fund

To support the programs of the Etta Natalie Rosenblatt Preschool.

Financial Assistance

To offset the reduction of revenue incurred when a Temple Sholom family cannot afford to pay their total dues. Contributions go directly into the General Fund.

General Fund

To support Temple operations.

Hospice and Healing Fund

To assist the Hospice Committee in carrying out its support programs.

Howard Weiner Library Fund

An endowment fund in which the interest is used to purchase books and supplies for the library.

Inclusion and Special Needs Fund

To purchase services, supplies, and equipment to assist congregants, students, and guests in need of accommodations that enable them to participate fully in all aspects of congregation life.

Jubilee Endowment Fund

To secure the future of Temple Sholom in Broomall.

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An endowment fund in which the interest may be used for the music program.

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Interest is used to send students to a URJ camp each year.

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Contributions to this fund will be used at the discretion of our Rabbi.

Religious School Education Fund

To support programs, special events and materials for education at all levels. Contributions can be earmarked for Women's Spirituality Group studies at the donor's discretion.

Cantor Kaplan Chair for Sacred Music Endowment

To endow the cantorial position at Temple Sholom, ensuring the future of Jewish music in our congregation.

Sanctuary Book Fund

To defray the cost of purchasing books for our sanctuary. A book plate is placed in each book indicating the donor's name and the occasion, for a minimum donation of \$36.

Technology Fund

To maintain and improve all aspects of technology, including our new Webcast used by Temple Sholom.

Temple Beautiful Fund

To improve and maintain the aesthetics of the Temple, including decor, furnishings, grounds and gardens.

Tzedakah (Food) Fund

To feed the hungry in our community. Contributions are distributed at the close of each fiscal year to outside charities at the discretion of a special Tzedakah committee.

Youth Scholarship Fund

To send Temple Sholom Youth Group members to National Federation of Temple Youth (NFTY) sponsored events. Scholarships are awarded based on financial need.

Contributions also may be made directly to the Temple Sholom Brotherhood, Sisterhood, Hilltoppers or Women's Spirituality.

Yahrzeits in December ... z"l

December 1

Eleanor Ravack Delson mother of Barbara Ostroff William Friedman

father-in-law of Serene Friedman

Elizabeth Gutmaker sister of Jennifer Morgan

Fred Holender father of Dorothy Rodney Sophie Silverman

> grandmother of Amy Berkowitz grandmother of Susan Garelik

December 2

Lottie Besterman mother of Ardeth Pinsk

Benjamin Crosby great grandfather of Anna Marx Charles Delson

father of Barbara Ostroff

Morton Frankel

father of Matthew Frankel father of Robbie Bloom husband of Wendy Frankel

Lillian Krangel mother-in-law of Rebecca Krangel

Bernard Levy father of Margaret Husick

Irvin Nelson

father of Julie Samuels Hyman Rotman

Sydney Weingarten grandfather of Rachel Broscoe

Ida Weinman December 3

Dr. Stanley Brockman father of Leslie Greenfield husband of Yvonne Brockman

December 4

Ida Arnstein mother-in-law of Serene Friedman

Larry Brenner husband of Judith Brenner

Maria Chernyak aunt of Ellen Bedenko

Edith Friedman

aunt of Serene Friedman St. George Hunt husband of Susan Robinovitz

Burton L. Rapport

December 5

Ruth Lerman mother of Charles Lerman

Sarah Silberman

Ben Topal December 6

Hilton DuBoise

father of Nancy DuBoise

William Riffkin

father of Marsha Rosenbloom

December 7 Anna Fayer

aunt of Loraine Bailie

Roy Glazier Leon Phillips

father of Linda Phillips

David Schwartz

grandfather of Ilene Berger

December 8

Joseph Babad grandfather of Barbara Goldstein Alex Berger

grandson of Irvin & Betty Berger cousin of Cynthia Nissen nephew of Steven & Ilene Berger

Esther Milichersky grandmother of Carl Miller

December 9

Minna Friedman aunt of Mayer Selekman Adaline Barbara Goodman sister of Linda Polomski

Leonard Jacobs father of Barry Jacobs

Morris Ross father of Susan Friedman

William Shapiro father-in-law of Sara Shapiro

Ruthie Silverstein aunt of Brett Amdur

Ruth Watter mother of Steven Watter

Ruth Zamble December 10

Samuel Bachrach grandfather of Daniel Scolnick

Rubin Block father of Rosalyn Smolinsky

Anna Jenkin grandmother of Rachel Broscoe

Morris Lieberman father of Warren Lieberman

Nathan Phillips

uncle of Linda Phillips Todd David Satell

Mary Stone grandmother of Mollie Plotkin

Sharon Weinberg cousin of Cynthia Fastman

December 11

Louis Glick Sylvia Gesoff Thomas mother of Lisa Pottiger

December 12

Helen Amdur

grandmother of Brett Amdur

Rose Itzko

mother of Mitchell Itzko

Martin Metoxen

brother of Yvonne Brockman uncle of Leslie Greenfield

Murray Satell

December 13

Tillie Klein Good mother of Susan Dorfman

Solomon Mellman father-in-law of Elizabeth

Mellman

Adele Siegal

mother of Barbara Berlin Morey Wollin

father-in-law of Theodore Blinder

Marvin Young brother of Sara Shapiro

December 14

Joseph Appel grandfather of Carol Borloff

Judith Apple sister of Pam Haas Ruth Eskovitz grandmother of Stacy Rigler

Jules Faktor brother of Sylvia Oxman Alice McElroy

mother of Cynthia Verbofsky

December 15

Selma Bender Harry Brown

father of Geraldine Joseph Grace Rapoport

mother of Lynne Klempner Arthur Rogosin

father of Phoebe Resnick

December 16

Goldie Goldberg Fastman mother of Beverly Joie

David Perelman father of Caryn Gourley Selma Shandler

mother of Richard Shandler

December 17

N. Harry Gartzman cousin of Loraine Bailie

Peter Isaacson father of Robert Isaacson

Dora Laster aunt of Ilene Brouda

Meyer Zamble December 18

Leslie Groce Jean Gubkin Brown

grandmother of Laurie Browngoehl Fritzi Scherr

step-sister of Gerri Sassler

Shirley Szabad

December 19

John Fisher cousin of Frederick Kelner

Harry Schwartz father of Neil Schwartz

December 20

Norma Minsky Frances Solomon aunt of Carol Jacobs

Wendy Stone aunt of Mollie Plotkin

December 21

Jean Friedman aunt of Eileen Buckwalter

Philip Schecter

uncle of Laurie Burstein-Maxwell Richard Sork

brother of Lisa Rosenfeldt Armand Spitz

step-father of David Smilk

December 22

Philip H. Damsker father of H. Sue Zackroff Shirley Graboyes

sister-in-law of Betty Graboyes

Herman Guttenberg Sue Krisel

mother of Cheryl Lynch

Herman Weiss father of Ellen Weiss-Sweetman December 23

Ann Barron mother of Linda Litwin Albert K. Besterman father of Ardeth Pinsk

Morris Freedman father of Reina Robbins

Elliot Levin

father of Kenneth Levin December 24

Newton Berger father of Merraine Rein

Eva Burns mother of Renee Campion

Martin Goldfuss father of Beverly Cylinder

Christopher Massey brother of Kent Massey

Edna Strauss sister-in-law of Elizabeth Mellman

December 25

Ken Bower friend of Carol Herman

Max Burns father of Renee Campion

Mark Gottlieb father of Harry Gottlieb

Fannie Solomon mother of Louise Schmidt

December 26 Milton Bricker

grandfather of Jeffrey Toren Sonia Gladstone grandmother of Julian Gladstone

Sofiyor Lubenskaya grandmother of Ellen Bedenko

December 27

Wilma Barron aunt of Ellen Fisher

Samuel Fisher father of Ellen Fisher

Ethel Goodman

mother of Linda Polomski Nathan Greene

Nathan Greene Saul Korewa brother-in-law of Sharon

Goldman Murray Plotkin grandfather of Kevin Plotkin

Sandra Wasserman late wife of Robert Wasserman Samuel Wills

uncle of Loraine Bailie December 28

Sonia Bolotsky mother of Michael Bolotsky **David Cooper** father of Matthew Cooper Roslyn Garfinkel mother of Debra Kirsch Solomon Kaspin uncle of Barbara Goldstein Morris Wills uncle of Loraine Bailie Milton Cooperstein

Cooperstein December 29

Joyce Dichter mother of Beth Verman

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father-in-law of Michele

Jean Fine

mother of Judy Newman

Mary Gladstone

mother of Julian Gladstone

Goldie Neff mother of Robert Neff

Oscar Reiner grandfather of Steven Querido

Mayer B. Weinstein

December 30

Alexander (AI) Cohen uncle of Elyse Endy

Betty Cooperstein mother-in-law of Michele

Cooperstein Mark Lerman

brother of Charles Lerman **David Prager** father of Jay Prager

Freeda Presser mother of Roni Kozin Dori Riesenfeld

mother of Mark Riesenfeld Morry Skirboll

uncle of Pam Haas December 31 Ida Baskin



RECENT DEATHS

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Sat	14 Kislev 10:30 AM Bar Mitzvah: William Marcuse Torah Portior Vayishlach	21 Kislev 15 10:30 AM Shabat Kulanu For Families w/Special Needs 5 PM Preschool PJ Havdallah Torah Portion:	28 Kislev 10:30 AM Bar Mitzvah: Zachary Munin Torah Portion: Miketz	5 Tevet Torah I Vayi	CAC Lice
Fri	13 Kislev 5 8 PM Shabbat Service	20 Kislev 12 5:30 PM Tot Shabbat 6 PM Potluck Dinner (Dairy) 7 PM Family Shabbat Service	27 Kislev 19 6:30 PM Hanukkah Dinner 8 PM Shabbat Service	4 Tevet 26 7 PM Shabbat Meditation 8 PM Shabbat Service	Join Us Wednesday, December 3 rd At 7 PM for our Test Rosh Hashanah Service
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Thu	12 Kislev 10:30 AM Hilloppers Board Meeting 7:30 PM Sisterhood Board Meeting	19 Kislev 7:30 PM Hilltoppers Program	26 Kislev 1:15 PM Hilltoppers Book Group	3 Tevet 2, 10 AM Preschool Winter Concert with Andi Joseph	(**) (**)
Wed	11 Kislev 9:30 AM Meditation 10:30 AM Tanakh Study 4 PM B'nai Mitzvah Class 7 PM Test Service for Rosh Hashanah	18 Kislev 10:30 AM Meditation 10:30 AM Tanakh Study 4 PM B nai Mitzvah Class 6:30 PM Gratz Cooks 7:30 PM Gaza: A History & The Way Forward w/Lawrence Husick	25 Kislev 17 9:30 AM Meditation 10:30 AM Tanakh Study 4 PM B'nai Mitzvah Class 6:30 PM Meditation 7:30 PM Women's Spirituality 7:30 PM General Board Mtg.	2 Tevet 24 9:30 AM Meditation	9 Tevet Temple Closes at 3 PM
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